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FRESNO MAN INDICTED FOR RECEIPT AND POSSESSION OF CHILD PORNOGRAPHY

FRESNO-- United States Attorney McGregor W. Scott announced today that a federal grand jury returned a two-count indictment charging JUSTIN BARCELLOS, 27, of Fresno, California with receiving and possessing child pornography. The indictment alleges that on or about September 6, 2007, BARCELLOS received and was in possession of images involving the sexual exploitation of minors.

This case was investigated by the Department of Homeland Security, Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) .

According to court documents previously filed in this case, on September 6, 2007, the Department of Homeland Security, Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) executed a federal search warrant on BARCELLOS' residence based on information that BARCELLOS was purchasing child pornography from pay per view websites. On-site forensic examination revealed numerous images of child pornography depicting the sexual exploitation of minors contained on BARCELLOS' computer hard drive.

BARCELLOS is in federal custody following a detention hearing on a criminal complaint. On September 7, 2007, BARCELLOS was ordered detained as a danger to the community by the Honorable Magistrate Judge Theresa A. Goldner. As reasons for the detention order, Judge Goldner cited BARCELLOS' own admissions to law enforcement that he considers himself to be a pedophile, that he has engaged in volunteer activities in youth-oriented organizations, that he has engaged in inappropriate touching of a minor, that he has expressed anger towards females, and that he has disfigured printed pornographic images of females.

According to Assistant United States Attorney Sherrill A. Carvalho, who is prosecuting the case, if convicted, BARCELLOS faces up to 20 years imprisonment and a mandatory minimum of five years imprisonment for receipt of material involving the sexual exploitation of minors. Possession of child pornography is punishable for up to 10 years in prison. Both offenses provide for a possible lifetime term of supervised release and a fine of up to \$250,000. However, the actual sentence will be determined at the discretion of the court after consideration of the Federal Sentencing Guidelines, which take into account a number of variables, and any

applicable statutory sentencing factors.

The charges are only allegations and the defendant is presumed innocent until and unless proven guilty beyond a reasonable doubt.

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